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--A driving force receiving member for receiving a driving force from an image forming apparatus includes a driving force receiving portion for receiving the driving force from a driving force applying portion of the image forming apparatus. The driving force receiving portion is movable relative to the driving force applying portion to permit engagement and disengagement relative to the driving force applying portion. The driving force receiving portion is provided with a surface fastener for engaging a surface fastener provided on the driving force applying portion.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 3 through 7, 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16 and enter Claims 48 through 58 to read, as follows. Note that all of the claims currently pending in this application, including those not presently being amended, have been reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience.

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1. **(Twice Amended)** A developer container detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said developer container comprising:  
a main body for accommodating a developer, said main body being provided with an opening for permitting discharge of the developer; and  
a driving force receiving portion for receiving a driving force for feeding the developer in said main body toward said opening, the driving force being supplied from a driving force supplying portion provided in the image forming apparatus,  
wherein said driving force receiving portion is engageable with the driving force supplying portion by relative movement toward each other, and

wherein a surface fastener is provided on said driving force receiving portion for disengageable engagement with a surface fastener provided on the driving force supplying portion.

*Substantially identical.*

**3.** (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 1, wherein each of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion includes a plurality of elastically deformable projections formed thereon,

wherein said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion are engageable with the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion.

**3.** (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 3, wherein each projection of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion is thicker at a free end than at a base end thereof.

**4.** (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 3, wherein one of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of the projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion are in the form of loops and the other of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections

of the surface fastener of the driving force applying portion are configured in the form of hooks.

*Substantially the same as claim 1*

6. (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 2, wherein each projection of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion is configured in the form of a frustum of a pyramid.

*Substantially the same as claim 1*

6. (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 2, wherein a free end of each projection of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion is rounded.

*Substantially the same as claim 1*

7. (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 1, wherein said driving force receiving member includes a projection formed on said surface fastener of said driving force receiving member, which projects toward the driving force supplying member, so as to surround a projection formed on the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion.

*Substantially the same as claim 1*

8. (Twice Amended) A developer container according to Claim 11, wherein a free end of said projection of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving member is bent.

*Sub Cmt*  
*Sub B28*

**9 13. (Twice Amended)** A developer container according to Claim 11,<sup>2</sup>

wherein a free end of the projection of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying member is folded back.

*Sub Cmt*  
*Sub B28*

**10 15. (Twice Amended)**

A developer container according to Claim 1, further comprising:

a sealing member for unsealably sealing said opening,

a feeding member for feeding the developer in said main body toward said opening,

wherein said feeding member is integrally rotatable with said sealing member by the driving force received by said driving force receiving portion.

**11 16. (Twice Amended)**

A developer container according to Claim 1, wherein said driving force receiving portion is provided at one end of said main body adjacent to said opening, and said main body is rotatable by the driving force received by said driving force receiving portion.

*Sub Cmt*  
*Sub B28*

**12 48. (Newly-Presented)** A developer container according to Claim 1,

wherein said main body is of a cylindrical shape.

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*Sub B28*

**13 49. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit detachably mountable to an

image forming apparatus, said image forming unit comprising:

an image bearing member; and

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a driving force receiving portion for receiving a driving force for rotating said image bearing member, the driving force being supplied from a driving force supplying portion provided in the image forming apparatus,

wherein said driving force receiving portion is engageable with the driving force supplying portion by relative movement toward each other, and

wherein a surface fastener is provided on said driving force receiving portion for disengageable engagement with a surface fastener provided on the driving force supplying portion.

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**50. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit according to Claim *49*,  
wherein each of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion includes a plurality of elastically deformable projections formed thereon, and

wherein said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion are engageable with the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion.

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**51. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit according to Claim *50*,  
wherein each projection of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force applying portion is thicker at free end than at a base end thereof.

*Substantive*  
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**14 52. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit according to Claim 50,<sup>14</sup>

wherein one of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion are in the form of loops and the other of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion are configured in the form of hooks.

*Substantive*  
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**14 53. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit according to Claim 50,<sup>14</sup>

wherein each projection of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion is configured in the form of frustum of a pyramid.

*Substantive*  
*Substantive*

**14 54. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit according to Claim 50,<sup>14</sup>

wherein a free end of each projection of said plurality of projections of said surface fastener of said driving force receiving portion and the plurality of projections of the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion is rounded.

*Substantive*  
*Substantive*

**14 55. (Newly-Presented)** An image forming unit according to Claim 49,<sup>13</sup>

wherein said driving force receiving member includes a projection formed on said surface fastener of said driving force receiving member, which projects toward the driving force supplying member, so as to surround a projection formed on the surface fastener of the driving force supplying portion.